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Title: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR HEATING

GAS FROM A THIN LAYER OF NUCLEAR FUEL, AND SPACE ENGINE USING SUCH METHOD

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

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AMENDMENT B PROVIDED IN REVISED FORMAT

Dear Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Examiner's Action mailed October 16, 2002.

Please amend the application identified above and as shown on the following sheets.